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AUGMENTING OF MOBILE LINE CAPACITY
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed to augment the mobile lines capacity of BSNL to check call rates of other mobile service providers in the country; and

(b) if so, the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) & (b) Sir, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has planned to add 33.5 million lines capacity in next one year. As per the existing provisions of Telecommunications tariff Orders (TTO), tariff for telecom services are under forbearance, except with regard to Fixed Line service in rural Areas, National Roaming Service in Cellular Mobile Service and Leased Line Service.